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		Art Unit	1753
		Examiner Name	Rodney McDonald
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
200	100
360	180

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
- 20 or HP =	x	=		Fee (\$)

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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	
- 3 or HP =	x	=		Fee (\$)

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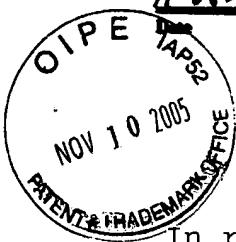
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In re Application of:)
Hiroji HANAWA, et al.) Group Art Unit: 1753
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Entitled: EXTERNALLY EXCITED TORROIDAL)
PLASMA SOURCE)
) Examiner: Rodney McDonald
Serial No.: 09/638,075)
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Filing Date: August 11, 2000)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH STATEMENT AND FEE FOR
CONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(d)(e)

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This information is being submitted subsequent to the earlier of the mailing of the final action or notice of allowance, but before payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)(e), the undersigned submits the following statement and fee requesting consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement:

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Respectfully submitted,



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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Document No	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Class	Subclass	Filing Date
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	US-6,413,321 B1	07-02-2002	KIM ET AL.	118	725	12-07-2000
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Country	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Translation? (Yes/No/n/a)
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	JP 070455542	14.02.1995	JAPAN	MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC IND CO LTD	N/A
	JP 2000150908	30.05.2000	JAPAN	SEMICONDUCTOR ENERGY LAB CO LTD	N/A

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Hu, C.-K., et al., "A process for improved Al(cu) reactive ion etching", Journal of Vacuum Science and Technology", May 1, 1989, pp. 682-685, Vol. 7, No. 3, American Institute of Physics, New York, U.S.

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